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- 1 AN ACT Relating to record checks for employees; and amending RCW
- 2 28A.400.303.

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- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28A.400.303 and 2001 c 296 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:
 - School districts, educational service districts, the state school for the deaf, the state school for the blind, and their contractors hiring employees ((who will have regularly scheduled unsupervised access to children)), shall require a record check through the Washington state patrol criminal identification system under RCW 43.43.830 through 43.43.834, 10.97.030, and 10.97.050 and through the federal bureau of investigation before hiring an employee. The record check shall include a fingerprint check ((using a complete Washington state criminal identification fingerprint card)) through the Washington state patrol. The requesting entity shall provide a copy of the record report to the applicant. When necessary, applicants may be employed on a conditional basis pending completion of the investigation. If the applicant has had a record check within the previous two years, the district, the state school for the deaf, the state school for the

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- 1 blind, or contractor may waive the requirement. The district, pursuant
- 2 to chapter 41.59 or 41.56 RCW, the state school for the deaf, the state
- 3 school for the blind, or contractor hiring the employee shall determine
- 4 who shall pay costs associated with the record check.

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